## **ENT-025** Foreign Trade Zone Admissions Reporting

Catego ry	Field	Definition	Corresponding Field on Requirement Template
Externa 1	Date June 14, 2002	Date on which the requirement was submitted to Customs	
	Number ENT-025	Format flexibility including means of communication	Source-Provided ID
	Requestor TSN Entry Committee	Source organization Trade Support Network	Source Organization
	Originator Art Litman Donnie Turbeville Randy Campbell	Trade co-chair Entry Trade co-chair FTZ Automation	Originator
	Requirement	ACE shall accommodate flexibility in reporting formats and means of communication.  ACE shall provide the option to report electronic data via web input (the web portal) for the automation of the foreign trade zone admission process.  ACE shall likewise accept the ANSI X12 data set for reporting foreign trade zone admissions.  ACE shall accept an XML format.  Admissions will be filed by zone operators, importers and brokers.	Text
	Business Need	The automation of the foreign trade zone admission business process will replace the current paper-intensive operations associated with the filing of the paper CF 214 and the subsequent reviews and approvals by the Customs Port Director and the zone operator. Processes to be automated include: Application for Admission and Permit Amendment Processing Post-Admission Merchandise Zone Status Changes	

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	Operator Review/Approval Processing Port Director Review/Approval Processing Customs Examination Processing User, Operator, USCS Inquiries	
Technical Need	Same as above and to be able to enter zone admission information via the web portal or other EDI formats.	
Benefits	Automate a paper-intensive process for both the zone and Customs. Improved tracking and monitoring ability for the zone and Customs. More effective targeting.  Improved carrier unlading and release timeframes. Improve regulatory audit and merchandise reconciliation procedures.  Provide uniformity of zone administration from port to port.  Provide for automated messaging to all FTZ participants.	
Risks	Lack of effective targeting, tracking and monitoring capabilities unless the zone admission and approval process is automated.	
Related Organizations	Importers, brokers, zone operators, Customs, PGAs, carriers and cartman	
Priority	High	Relative Priority
Customs Approval	State of the requirement (provided by the eCP)	State